A Homegoing Celebration for

Willie Crutchfield

Sunrise
November 10, 1913

Sunset
September 18, 2004

'To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: A time to be born, and a time to die . . .
Ecclesiastics 3:1-2

Services Held
Friday, September 24, 2004 — 11:00 a.m.

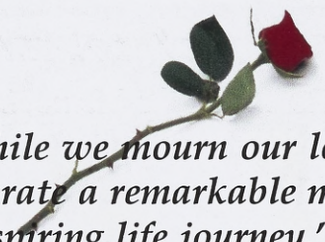
Rose Manor Funeral Chapel
3131 Macdonald Avenue • Richmond, California
Dr. R. K. Gordon, Officiating

Obituary

Willie Crutchfield was born in Shreveport, Louisiana on November 10, 1913, to Johnnie and Anna Crutchfield. He was the last of 9 children. Willie attended school in Louisiana. He married his childhood sweetheart Nancy in 1932, seven children were born to this union. This marriage endured 72 years of hard work and everlasting love.

Willie eventually relocated to Richmond, California in 1944. He worked at the Shipyard in Richmond, and also at the Naval Supply Center in Oakland. He retired in 1963. He enjoyed fishing, gardening and playing checkers. Mr. Crutchfield was the 'Neighborhood Barber.' He accepted the Lord Jesus Christ into his life on August 11, 2004. He was a member of True Fellowship Baptist Church under the leadership of Dr. Robert K. Gordon.

Willie departed this life on Saturday, September 18, 2004. He was preceded in death by his son Levert Crutchfield, and daughter Bobbie Jean Braxton. He leaves to cherish special memories: his devoted wife of 72 years Nancy Crutchfield of Richmond; two daughters: Willie Mae Moore of Richmond and Eula Mae Henderson of Alta Loma, California; three sons: Robert Crutchfield of Richmond, Paul Crutchfield of Upland, California, and Melvin Crutchfield of Fairfield. He also leaves daughters-in-laws, sons-in-laws, and sister-in-law; 20 grandchildren; 33 great grandchildren; and 10 great great grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.



'Today, while we mourn our loss – We also celebrate a remarkable man and an inspiring life journey.'

Order of Service

Processional ..... *Ministers & Family*

Scripture Readings:
- *Old Testament* ..... *Minister Calvin Lee*
- *New Testament* ..... *Minister Adriene Gordon*

Prayer ..... *Minister James Budgett*

Solo ..... *Verdis Howard*

Acknowledgments/Resolution ..... *Sis. Rosemary Spencer*

Solo ..... *Nancy Johnson*

Obituary ..... *Read Silently*

Solo ..... *Sis. Inez Marshall*

Eulogy ..... *Pastor Robert K. Gordon*

Parting View ..... *Rose Manor Staff*

Recessional .....

Interment

Rolling Hills Memorial Park
4100 Hilltop Drive, Richmond, California

Repast: Immediately following the burial at:
Hilltop Green Community Center
1095 Parkside Drive, Richmond, California

I'm Just Asleep!

Do not stand by my grave and weep,
I am not there, I'm just asleep. I am
a thousand winds that blow, I am
the diamond glints upon the snow. I
am the sunlight on ripened grain and
I am the gentle autumn rain. When
you awaken in the morning's hush,
I am that swift uplifting rush of quiet
birds encircled in flight. I am the soft
star that shines at night. Do not
stand by my grave and weep, I am
not there, I'm just asleep.

Active Pallbearers

Jodie Henderson, Jr.
Larry Wheeler, Jr.
Derek Crutchfield
Michael Grayson, Jr.
Michael Grayson
Willie Harris

Honorary Pallbearers

Robert Crutchfield
Ronald Crutchfield
Robert Parks
Paul Crutchfield
Vernon Crutchfield
Jodie Henderson
Michael Johnson
Melvin Crutchfield
Andre' Braxton
Willie Harris, Jr.
True Fellowship Deacon Ministry

Acknowledgments

The family of Willie Crutchfield acknowledges with appreciation the many kind expressions evidenced in thought and deeds during these hours of sorrow. May God bless you.

Final arrangements entrusted to the professional care of:

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